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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Naoyuki INOUE et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3744**

Application No.: **10/529,438**

Examiner: **Mohammed Ali**

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For: **ABSORPTION REFRIGERATING MACHINE**

Attorney Docket Number: **052333**

Customer Number: **38834**

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

January 16, 2008

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated December 18, 2007.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has required an election of one of the species below:

Species A	Figs. 1-4;
Species B	Figs. 5-6;
Species C	Figs. 7-8;
Species D	Figs. 9 and 11;
Species E	Figs. 10 and
Species F	Figs. 12-13.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Species A of Figs. 1-4. Claims 11-14, 24-26, and 28 read on the elected embodiment. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the Applicants' rights to the filing of a Divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.



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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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